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HOMECOMING

'57 CREW, MARY O'CONNOR TO BE HONORED

The sport of crew will be honored on April 15 when, for the first time, the Alumni Association will induct a whole team into the Alumni Hall of Athletes. The 1957 Dad Vail championship crew will be so honored at the Homecoming dinner-dance that evening.

The Dad Vail cup is acknowledged to be emblematic of small college supremacy in sculling and the Dad Vail regatta is the highlight of the rowing season on the Schuylkill River.

This year's Hall of Athletes selection committee, under the chairmanship of Daniel H. Kane, '49, sought to honor the sport of crew and reasoned that the unique nature of the sport required the ultimate in teamwork for success. Their recommendation to honor the '57 crew was unanimously accepted by the Alumni Board of Directors.

Previously the only crew member ever singled out for Hall of Athletes induction was Thomas J. Conville, '53, who



Coach Tom Curran and the 1957 championship crew

stroked three successive Dad Vail championship eights in 1951, '52 and '53. In the '50's, the College's heyday in crew, La Salle oarsmen took the Dad Vail regatta six times in eight seasons, retiring the cup a second time by winning in 1956, '57 and '58. The 1957 boat was chosen from the second series of winners because of their better over-all record.

The members of the '57 boat were: Romeo Boyd, John J. Dever, John R. Galloway, John E. Maketa, Francis M. McCloskey, Robert Morro, Vincent J. Szymkowski, James Wagner, and Thomas W. Loschiavo (coxswain).

The first coordinator of women's athletics, Mary O'Connor, will be honored at Homecoming by inclusion in the Coaches' Corner of the Hall of

Athletes. An inspiration to La Salle's women athletes and to many others on campus, she will be inducted posthumously.

REUNION ROUND-UP

The Classes of '38, '43, '48 and the silver anniversary Class of '53 will join in as part of the Homecoming festivities on Saturday, April 15, 1978. Coinciding with their reunions will be the annual induction into the Alumni Hall of Athletes. The evening will begin at 7:00 p.m. with separate class cocktail parties, followed by dinner in the Ballroom at 8:00 p.m., and dancing to the Bill Garton Quartet till 1:00 a.m.

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Mary O'Connor

On Saturday, May 6, the Classes of '58 and '63 have their chance to reunite. The 20th and 15th anniversary classes will stage individual cocktail parties at 7:00, with dinner upstairs in the Ballroom at 8:00, and dancing till 1:00 a.m., with the music provided by the "Ri-Vells".

On Saturday, May 13, the Class of '68 will meet the second time, and the Class of '73 will have their initial reunion since graduation. These 10th and 5th year classes will also host private cocktail bashes at 7:00, followed by dinner, and dancing to "Minus John".

Members of these anniversary classes will be receiving notices about their respective reunions. Cost for the reunions is \$30.00 a couple, \$15.00 a person. Anyone who would like further details, or knows of any alumnus who has not been contacted about these affairs, please call the Alumni Office (951-1535).



DOWNTOWN CLUB

Batter up! The Downtown Club will get into the swing of Spring with a night at Veterans Stadium on Wednesday, May 31, 1978. The game will feature the Philadelphia Phillies against the Pittsburgh Pirates starting at 7:35 p.m. Cost is \$5.00 per ticket, and may be purchased through the Alumni Office. They will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Please call (951-1535), or mail checks, payable to La Salle College, to the office.

WOMEN'S CAREER CONFERENCE

"Women, Reach Out: A Career Conference" will be held at La Salle College on Saturday, April 22, 1978, from 9:00 to 3:30. This conference which will be open to the public free of charge, will feature workshops led by professional women active in a variety of careers.

The workshops will cover such areas as Management, Communications/Media, Government, Computer Science, Social Services, Law, Travel and Sciences. For further information and to register by phone, please call the Continuing Education for Women Office at 951-1060.

EXPLORER CLUB GOLF OUTING

The Explorer Club will sponsor a golf outing at Melrose Country Club on Friday, May 26, it has been announced by Club President Stew Tomkins.

Many prizes have been lined up, including a Buick LeSabre and a Subaru for "a hole in one" at one of two designated holes and a \$100.00 prize for the closest to the pin on the 3rd hole. Trophies will be awarded at the dinner that evening, along with

\$400 worth of equipment, and everyone present will receive a prize. Also, some lucky individual will go home with a color T.V. set.

The charge for the golf outing is \$20.00 per person. The dinner following will cost \$25.00. The combination charge for golf and dinner is \$40.00.

Tennis facilities are available for those interested.

For further information call the Alumni Office — 951-1535.

BASKETBALL CAMP

Coach Paul Westhead's sixth annual basketball camp for boys and girls (age 8 to 16) will be held at Hayman Hall from July 3 to 8. (No session on July 4).

The charge is \$60.00 per child with a 50% discount for a second member of a family. Children should bring their lunch each day. Free sodas will be provided. Each participant will receive the official camp T-shirt.

Parents are invited to attend on July 8 to observe the progress of their young athletes.

For further information contact the Basketball office, 951-1517.



Co-captains Jim Wolkiewicz and Joe Mihalich with Coach Westhead receive the East Coast Conference championship trophy at Lafayette College.

SUBURBAN CLUB

Bill Bradshaw, '69, La Salle's new Athletic Director, will be the guest speaker at the Suburban Club luncheon on Wednesday, April 19, at 12:15 p.m. Luncheon will be served at the Peacock Inn, located at Routes 202 and 363 in King of Prussia. Cost is \$5.00 per person, and reservations may be made by calling the Alumni Office (951-1535). All alumni are invited to attend this Suburban Club affair.

E.C.C. CHAMPIONSHIP

The high point of the basketball season was the pulsating victory over Temple in the ECC championship game at Easton. The Explorers, who had won the ECC Eastern Division crown with a perfect 5-0 record, earned the right to meet Temple in the title game by disposing of St. Joseph's (for the second time this year) in a quarterfinal game at Hayman Hall and by defeating Delaware in the semifinal round.

The championship game with Temple, which was 24-3 and had lost only to Syracuse, Virginia, and La Salle in the regular season, was a seesaw battle which saw Temple finally begin to take command near the end of the game. The situation looked pretty dim with the Explorers trailing 70-66 and only 1:51 left in the game when senior co-captain Jim Wolkiewicz turned a missed shot by Kurt Kanaskie into a three point play with a pretty reverse layup after an offensive rebound. Michael Brooks then put the Explorers up 71-70 with a pair of free throws with 1:17 left.

Temple's Ricky Reed appeared to rescue Temple with a clutch jump shot with only 10 seconds remaining to lift the Owls back into a 72-71 lead but then Darryl Gladden, no newcomer to last second heroics, threw in his now famous 27 foot rocket over Tim Claxton with one second left in the game to give La Salle the game, 73-72, the ECC title, and the automatic berth in the first round of the NCAA playoffs.

The Explorers eventually lost that game to an outstanding Villanova team 103-97 after putting on a dazzling display of the brand of fast break basketball which characterized their entire season.



Bill Bradshaw

MUSIC THEATRE

La Salle's Music Theatre is delighted to announce the summer schedule for 1978. From June 21st through July 23rd, Music Theatre will present Rodgers & Hammerstein's immortal "South Pacific". Following that, from July 27th through August 27th, Cole Porter's tap-dancing delight, "Anything Goes" will headline the bill. Under the direction of Brother Gene Graham, F.S.C., (Formerly of La Salle College High School) Music Theatre promises a summer that's fresh, bright, and vibrantly alive.

In addition to offering the finest in musical theatre entertainment, this season, a pre-show buffet in the all new, on-campus Carousel Room will be offered. Theatregoers can relax with liquid refreshment on the circus patio,

or munch a Philadelphia pretzel while strolling through the quad.

Now is the time for all good organizations to plan a theatre party for their groups. Standard ticket price is \$5.50, however for groups of 30 or more, tickets are \$4.00 each on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday. Group prices for Friday and Saturday performances are \$4.50 each. Should your group choose to dine together, the price for a hearty buffet dinner and show is \$13.95 a person, including tax and services. Please call 951-1410 for reservations and information. See you in the audience.

LAW SOCIETY RECEPTION

The Alumni Law Society will honor six of their members who have achieved judicial distinction in the past year at an on campus reception Sunday afternoon, April 9.

Those to be honored are: Honorable F. Ross Crumlish, '52, Administrative Law Judge, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Honorable Edward F. Menniti, '43, Judge, District Court, Camden County, New Jersey; Honorable John J. Pettit, Jr., '56, Prothonotary, Philadelphia County; Honorable Richard A. Powers, III, '57, United States Magistrate; Honorable Michael E. Wallace, '63, Judge, Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas; and Honorable Thomas A. White, '50, Judge, Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas.

Reservations are \$7.50 per person and may be made through the Alumni Office.

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- RESERVED PARKING FOR DINERS
- REFRESHMENTS UNDER THE STARS

FOR RESERVATIONS AND FURTHER INFORMATION

CALL 951-1410



ALUMNI CALENDAR

DOWNTOWN CLUB LUNCHEON AT JOHN WANAMAKERS	APRIL 3
EXPLORER CLUB MEETING	APRIL 4
LAW SOCIETY RECEPTION	APRIL 9
HOMECOMING: HALL OF ATHLETES – INDUCTION, REUNIONS CLASSES OF '38, '43, '48 & '53	APRIL 15
DEDICATION OF HANK DE VINCENT FIELD (BETWEEN LA SALLE – ST. JOSEPH'S DOUBLEHEADER, 2:00 P.M.)	APRIL 29
SOCCER ALUMNI VS VARSITY SOCCER TEAM – 4:00 P.M.	APRIL 29
ALUMNI BASEBALL VS VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM – 4:00 P.M.	APRIL 30
ANNIVERSARY REUNIONS: CLASSES OF '58 & '63	MAY 6
ANNIVERSARY REUNIONS: CLASSES OF '68 & '73	MAY 13
ALUMNI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING	MAY 18
COMMENCEMENT	MAY 23
EXPLORER CLUB GOLF OUTING	MAY 26
DOWNTOWN CLUB NIGHT AT THE PHILLIES	MAY 31

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